## Dephosphorylation reactions with deferoxamine, a potential

# chemical nuclease

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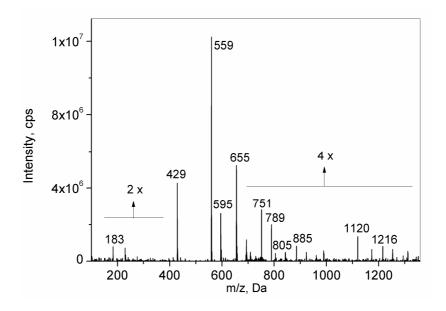
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#### 1. Kinetic data

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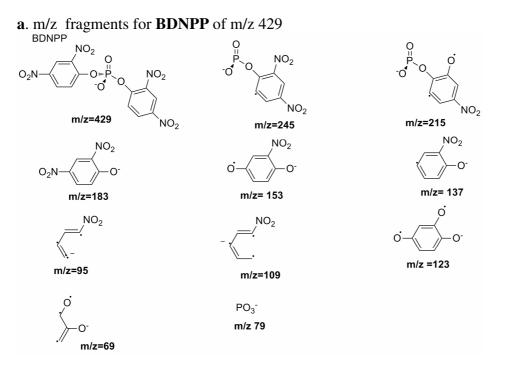
**Table S.1.** Rate constants as a function of pH for the reaction of **DFO** with **BDNPP** at 25.0°C in water,  $\mu = 1.0$  M (KCl).

#### 2. ESI-MS spectrometry

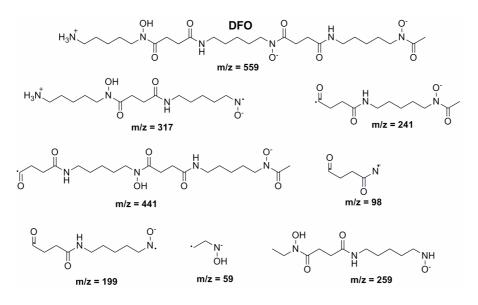


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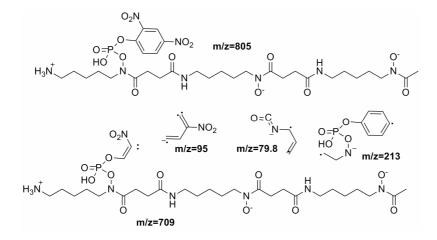
**Scheme S3.** ESI-MS/MS fragment assignments for **BDNPP** of m/z 429, **DFO** of m/z 559 and the proposed phosphorylated intermediates of m/z 805 and m/z 885.

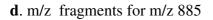


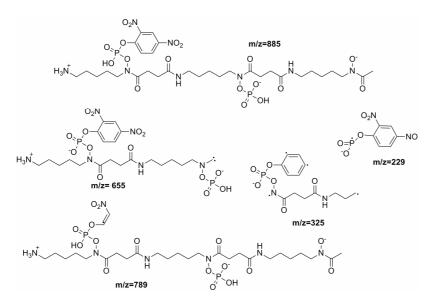
#### **b**. m/z fragments for **DFO** of m/z 559



**c**. m/z fragments for m/z 805







The reactant **BDNPP** of m/z 429 dissociates to the fragments of m/z 245, 215, 183, 153, 137, 123, 109, 94.9 and 78.8 (**Figure S4, Scheme S3**), which are mainly due to loses of the nitro groups and ring opening reactions. Furthermore, **DFO** of m/z 559 dissociates to the fragments of m/z 441, 317, 259, 241, 199, 161, 155, 136, 97.9 and 58.9 (**Figure S5, Scheme S3**) and the fragments are consistent with multiple cleavages of the **DFO** anion, consistent with its complex and relatively large structure. The ESI-MS/MS of **BDNPP** and **DFO** were helpful in providing information about the nature of the phosphorylated intermediates.

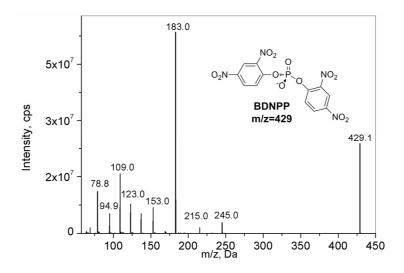


Figure S4. ESI-MS/MS of the reagent BDNPP of m/z 429.

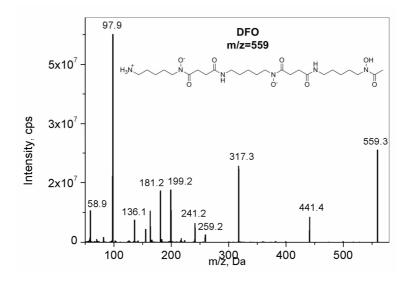


Figure S5. ESI-MS/MS of the reagent DFO of m/z 559.